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THE petition presented the other day by the Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., from the ladies of Hongkong, praying to the Officer Administering the Government for the compulsory registration of servants should, it seems, have been addressed to His Excellency and the members of Council. That technical mistake can be readily amended, but it is to be regretted, inasmuch as it may serve to delay consideration of a subject of the utmost importance to the British and foreign community. The evils attending the present system, or rather want of system, for the hiring and regulation of domestic servants are so patent and are so clearly set forth in the petition that it is almost unnecessary to refer to them, much less to dwell upon the inconveniences, the wrongs, and the annoyances which nearly every household has to endure at the hands of incompetent, careless, insolent, or dishonest servants. It will be remembered that the late Governor, Sir HENRY BLAKE, to whose notice the difficulty of obtaining reliable private chair and janitor-coolies had been forcibly brought home, appointed a Commission (comprised of Messrs. T. SERCOMBE SMITH, F. J. BADELEY, and R. C. WILCOX) to enquire into and take evidence on the subject. That Commission reported very strongly in favour of the registration of all coolies, with photographs to be attached to the registration-certificates, and attached a first Ordinance to their recommendations for the purpose of carrying them into effect. Unfortunately His Excellency Sir HENRY BLAKE, while admitting the evils of the existing want of system, was not in favour of registration, being doubtful whether the coolies would be willing to comply with its

conditions. It is quite likely that the coolies would not have been favourably disposed to registration; ignorant persons are seldom willing to concur in regulations which may give them a little trouble, even if they are likely to prove to their ultimate advantage. But the good of the community should also be set above the inclinations or wishes of a class. The British and foreign community pay for the music and it is their right to call the tune. It may be said, of course, that the servants will strike against registration, but this is not likely when they find that it will cost them nothing and that it will give them a status which at present they do not possess. Under the existing want of system there is nothing to prevent a rogue or criminal from obtaining—either by theft or purchase—the testimonials of a servant who has given up his employment or died at his home in the interior, and entering the household of a British resident with the ulterior object of robbing it, and thus bringing discredit on the servant class. That such things are done we have every reason to believe, and they doubtless account for many of the frequent robberies by domestics or persons in collusion with them. It could not fail to be a source of satisfaction to the servants of the Colony to know that they possessed in their registered certificate a guarantee for their steadiness and good character. We believe it is urged in some quarters that, seeing there is even now a scarcity of servants of any kind, registration would accentuate that difficulty, and lead to a demand for higher wages. Even now, it is argued, it is not easy to secure native servants who can speak English, or that jargon called "pidgin English," and that this must become more marked if the bad and untrustworthy boys or coolies are weeded from the ranks. In any change proposed, no matter what, some risk must be taken, and it is possible that wages for really efficient and obliging servants would advance in a degree, but we feel sure that the vast majority of employers would gladly pay a little more than they have been giving to get hold of willing and decently behaved domestics. As for the supply, that would soon be brought up to demand. Even under former and haphazard conditions, there has never been any serious difficulty in procuring labour. On the other side, there have been several cases of residents giving up housekeeping altogether, owing to the badness of servants, and going to the hotels to live. Rather than put up with the never-ceasing trouble of changing incompetent servants they have been content to incur a heavier outlay and put up with the limitations of hotel life. The Cantonese, under the best circumstances, make indifferent servants, but uncontrolled and unregulated they become utterly careless of the interests of their employers and render eye service of the most barefaced type. It is high time that something was done to place this important question on a new footing, so that the conditions of existence—always trying in the Orient—should be rendered more bearable to female heads of European households.

Mr. K. F. A. Harberg has been provisionally recognised as Consul-General for Norway and Sweden in Hongkong.

The annual general meeting of the seafarers and subscribers of St. John's Cathedral will be held to-morrow at 5 p.m. in St. Paul's College.

H.E. Senor Castello Branco, Portuguese Minister to Peking, arrived at Shanghai on the French mail on the 16th inst.

It is noted in Japan that there has been a great increase in life insurance applications, chiefly from naval and military men.

The Gazette notifies that Sergeants D. McHardy and W. Cameron have been appointed Inspectors of Nuisances; and Mr. Ng Hon Choi public vaccinator.

The mortality returns for October show a total of 525 deaths—26 in the European and foreign community (20 Civilian, 6 Army) and 499 Chinese. 28 deaths were due to malaria, 143 to chest affections.

According to L'Echo de Chine, it is telegraphed from London that the signature of the Franco-Siamese treaty is expected. The treaty confirms while it modifies the convention of 1892, provides for the evacuation of Chantaboon, and restores perfectly amicable relations between France and Siam.

A Chinaman, named Leung, went to a pawnbroker on Friday, with a bundle of quene-cords and clothing, valued together at \$9. The pawnbroker advanced him \$2.10 on them, but afterwards, growing suspicious, he reported the matter to the police, and Leung was arrested. "They were given to me by a boy," said Leung, but Mr. T. Sercombe Smith thought that story did not sound very plausible, as he could not produce or describe the boy, and sentenced him to a fine of \$75, or two months' hard labour, with four hours in the stocks.

It is understood that boxing contests are to be held at the City Hall on the 3rd prox.

Mr. W. R. Lennard, formerly of Hongkong, is now playing forward for the Shanghai Football Club (Association).

Latest Japanese papers confirm the supposition that the censorship in Japan extends to all foreign as well as native newspapers, and to all telegrams for abroad. Telegrams for home papers from their correspondents have already been stopped in Tokyo.

The *Mainichi* repeats the report that Japan has acquired an option to purchase the Turkish cruiser *Medjedieh*, now being built at Philadelphia. The price is stated to be half a million sterling. The construction of this Turkish cruiser was ordered last year. The displacement of the vessel is 3,250 tons; speed 24 knots; horse power 12,000; guns, two 6 inch, eight 4.7 inch, six 1.8 inch, and 12 xms.

The Tokyo correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* telegraphed on the 16th inst. that "Russia has communicated to the Powers, including Japan, her view of the respective treaty rights of the two countries in Manchuria." He also states:—"Sixty-four American marines with three officers arrived at Seoul yesterday. The American guard now numbers one hundred. A French detachment is expected to follow."

The *Japan Mail* says that it is reported that the personnel of the Military Council recently instituted by Imperial Ordinance will be as follows:—Field-Marshal Marquis Yamagata, Field-Marshal Marquis Oyama, Admiral Yamamoto, Minister of the Navy, Lieutenant-General Terauchi, Minister of War, Admiral Viscount Ito, Admiral Count Kabayama, Admiral Baron Inouye, General Count Nogi, General Baron Kuroki, General Baron Oku, Lieutenant-General Baron Kodama, Rear-Admiral Juin.

The *N.C. Daily News* says that the Japanese name of *Nishin* given to one of the recently purchased Argentine cruisers is written in Chinese *Jeh-tsin*, which translated into English would mean "Advance Japan," while the Chinese equivalent of *Kasuga*—the name of the other cruiser—is *Chun-jih*, or "Flourish Japan." In English, a Japanese paper remarks that the report that Japan has bought from the Argentine four more cruisers like the *Kasuga* is groundless, the Argentine having no such cruisers to sell.

A Seoul telegram, dated the 9th January, says:—"Min Yei-kan, Min Yeh-sho and Chin So-ku seem to have been convinced of the necessity of reformation of the administration to a certain extent, and they now advocate the prompt opening of Ryong-an (Yong-ampho) and the dismissal of Ye Kou-tak and Ye Yong-yik from the Government. The reason the Russian soldiers were sent to Seoul is said to be the Russian Minister's intention to maintain the goodwill of the Korean Court. He thinks they will strengthen his hands when negotiating a Russo-Korean Alliance. Nearly forty members of the Imperial Body Guard deserted last night, objecting to having to keep watch during the present cold weather."

According to reports emanating from Peking, says the *N.C. Daily News*, it is stated that the Central Government intends to hold the western banks of the Liao river in force, should war break out between Japan and Russia, and will not permit any of the belligerents to cross over, thereby apparently allowing all the country on the other side of the Liaocho (Southern Manchuria) to be made into a battle-ground for Japan and Russia. This, of course, in the event of China becoming neutral. If China should be forced to fight she will certainly join Japan, while the Chinese troops in the neighbourhood of Southern Manchuria will be placed under the leadership, it is rumoured, of Japanese officers.

H.M. third-class cruiser *Archer* on arrival at Colombo from Australia, homeward bound, was stopped, awaiting the possibility of a Russo-Japanese outbreak, in which case she will probably come to Hongkong. The first-class cruiser *Diadem*, third-class cruiser *Seylla*, and torpedo gun-boat *Karakatta*, which were following the *Archer* home, were expected at Colombo when the last mail left and it was anticipated that they also would reinforce the Chinese squadron in event of war. The *Diadem* carries sixteen 6-in. guns, fourteen 12-pounders, and twelve lighter guns, and 3 torpedo tubes. The *Seylla*, which is equal to the first-class cruiser in speed, is armed with two 6-in. guns, six 4.7-in. guns, fourteen lighter guns and four torpedo-tubes. The *Karakatta*, the other 20-knot vessel, is armed with two 4.7-in. guns, four 3-pounders and three torpedo tubes. The *Archer*, which is the slowest of the four, indicating a speed of 16-knots, is armed with six 6-in. guns, eleven smaller guns, and three torpedo-tubes.

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TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

TWO REAT CATASTROPHES.

LONDON, 24th January, 12.5 a.m.

FLOODS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Floods threaten to overwhelm the whole of the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 250,000 men have been thrown out of work.

FIRE IN NORWAY.

The town of Alesund, Norway, has been destroyed by fire, 12,000 people being rendered homeless.

[Alesund is a town built on a small island on the west coast of Norway, in the province of North Bergenhus. Its total population was only given as 3,400 four years ago. It is evident therefore that practically the whole town has been burnt down.—Ed. D.P.]

THE STRAITS GOVERNOR-SHI.

SINGAPORE, 23rd January, 12.30 p.m.

The new Governor of the Straits Settlements is Sir John Anderson, one of the Principal Clerks of the Colonial Office.

[Sir John Anderson, K.C.M.G., was born at Gartly, Aberdeenshire, in 1858 and was educated at Aberdeen University, where he took 1st class honours in Mathematics and gained the gold medal as most distinguished graduate of his year. He entered the Colonial Office as a 2nd class clerk in 1879. Since then his career has been:—Bacon scholar, Gray's Inn, 1887; Inns of Court studentship, 1889; joint commissioner, with the late Sir J. F. Dickson, 1891, to enquire into certain matters connected with the Supreme Court of Gibraltar; private secretary to Sir R. Meade, 17th Aug. 1892; attached to staff for the Behring Sea Arbitration in London and Paris, 1892-93; 1st class clerk, C.O., 1896; principal clerk 1897; sec. to the conference between Mr. Chamberlain and the Colonial premiers, June and July, 1897; C.M.G., 1898; C.O. representative on staff of the Duke of Cornwall and York during visit to the Colonies, 1901; K.C.M.G., 1901.—Ed. D.P.]

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE CRISIS.—MOVEMENT OF WAR VESSELS.

LONDON, 21st January.

The Russian transport *Orel* has left Suez. The Japanese cruiser *Kasuga* has arrived at Aden and leaves for Colombo at once.

LATER.

Though there has been no actual offer of mediation, Japan has informed the Governments in London, Berlin, and Washington, that mediation is not acceptable.

Vicount Hayashi, referring to rumours that Japan would modify her demands, declared that Japan had from the first asked the irreducible minimum.

The Russian cruisers *Dmitri Donskoi* and *Aurora* with twelve destroyers have sailed from Suez. One destroyer is disabled.

The battleship *Orel* and the transport *Saratoff* will be docked at Suez.

RUSSIA REPORTED CONCILIATORY.

LONDON, 21st January.

It is stated, "on high diplomatic authority," that an important advance has been made towards a pacific settlement, and that the peace party has gained the ascendancy in Russia, in consequence of the emphatic representations of certain influential Ministers regarding Russia's unpreparedness for war. Russia, therefore, replies to Japan in a wholly conciliatory spirit, stating that she is prepared to recognise the autonomy and integrity of Corea and to address a Note to the Powers recognising Chinese sovereignty and the integrity of Manchuria. Japan, however, desires a formal embodiment of the latter principle in a special arrangement between Russia and Japan.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 22nd January.

It is stated in St. Petersburg that Russia's reply to Japan, which has been drafted and approved, courteously but firmly insists that whatever commercial concessions are granted, Manchuria must remain amenable to Russian influence, politically and strategically.

THE MISSION TO TIBET.

LONDON, 21st January.

Various reports are arriving at Derjeeling, stating that the Tibetans are becoming tractable, and that the Lamas declare they will appeal to Russia if the British advances continue. It is believed in several quarters that fighting is likely to take place in the early future.

NEW STRAITS GOVERNOR.

LONDON, 22nd January.

Sir John Anderson has been appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements.

THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

HONGKONG STEAMER TAKEN UP.

We hear that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha s.s. *Rohilla Mary*, on the Hongkong-Manila run, and advertised to leave Hongkong for Manila next Wednesday, the 27th inst., has been taken up by the Japanese Government, and her sailing fixture has been cancelled in consequence. Whether or no the *Rohilla Mary* was taken up by the Japanese Government we do not know. The *Rohilla Mary*, an old P. & O. liner, is a smart little steamer of 3,900 tons gross. She performs the trip from Hongkong to Manila in 48 hours or so, and, no doubt, will make an excellent transport. Shippers, of course, will be more or less inconvenienced for practically every trip the *Rohilla Mary* makes she takes a quantity of cattle and other regular shipments.

FIRES ON SATURDAY.

Four fires occurred on Saturday in Hongkong, making five for the week.

The first of Saturday's fires broke out about 2 a.m. in the kitchen of No. 314, Des Vœux Road, which runs at right angles to No. 106, Wing Lok Street. It was very difficult at first to get at the fire, as the roofs having tiled exteriors the water could not be played upon it. Before the firemen got a length of hose passed through the verandah, the fire had rapidly spread to No. 312, Des Vœux Road and on to 105, Wing Lok Street, which were soon in a blaze. The entire force of the Fire Brigade, under Chief Inspector Baker and Chief Engineer Macdonald, with every available appliance of hose and engine, were turned out to confine the conflagration to its starting point, and prevent it spreading. It was a difficult task, as a strong north-easterly breeze was blowing at the time. Luckily the supply of water was plentiful, and the fire-boat was kept busy supplying the hoses with that very necessary article. The contents of one of the rooms alight was wool, and the volumes of thick smoke arising from it choked and blinded the firemen to such an extent that they had to be constantly relieved temporarily by others. But the hoses were doing their work, and the fire was not only being confined, but was being steadily got under, through the weight of the many streams of water successively played upon it. It was only the thickness of the doors of No. 104, Wing Lok Street that prevented the fire spreading in that direction, as the flames reached and charred them, but did not penetrate, and the fire did not spread beyond the top floors of the three houses, which were completely burnt out. Over the roof of No. 104 a length of hose was passed, and then a stream of water was soon playing into the heart of the fire, which was eventually conquered, and all danger passed, by 4 a.m. after strenuous work by the firemen, for which the greatest credit is due to them, and at 5 a.m. all but two of the men with a length of hose, who remained in case of emergency, left the scene of their successful labours.

The owner of the burnt buildings is Chu Fu Sau, a wealthy merchant of Shanghai, Hongkong and Singapore. The property was all insured in sums aggregating \$70,000, but it is estimated that that will not cover the damage done. With the London and Lancashire Insurance Company it was insured for \$25,000, the Royal Exchange \$25,000, and the Palatine \$20,000.

Scarcely had the firemen had time to return to their quarters, to get the grime and smoke and soot out of their eyes, when they were again called out. This time it was by an alarm of fire in Hollywood Road, but on proceeding to the spot indicated, it was discovered that it was somewhat of a false alarm, as only a chimney there had become ignited, and it required but very little attention to quench the fire there, the damage being trifling.

Another fire broke out about midnight on the ground floor of a house at 31, Cochrane Street, occupied as a blacksmith's and a contractor's shop. The Fire Brigade promptly turned out under Mr. E. R. Hallifax and Chief Inspector Baker. Their efforts to subdue the flames were seriously hampered by the scarcity of the water supply obtainable from the mains, and they had to confine their energies to preventing the spread of the flames to the adjoining houses. The fire burned fiercely and soon the first, second, and third floors were all ablaze. Of these the first and second floors were occupied as dwelling-houses; the third was unoccupied. Before the fire was got under the building was gutted. Damage has not yet been ascertained. It appears that the blacksmith's premises on the ground floor were insured for \$1,500 with the Mei Jui Bussan Kaisha.

On Saturday night a fire occurred at 109, Praya East among a stack of coal belonging to Chang Foo. The outbreak was discovered in good time and was extinguished before much damage had been done. About two tons of coal were destroyed and a considerable quantity was damaged.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE HONGKONG POST-OFFICE.—A SUGGESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 23rd January.

Sir—Slowly but surely, let us hope, the Hongkong Government is working out the salvation of its Public Offices. Time was (and not so long ago either) when everyone considered the Post Office to be past praying for. Lately, however, changes for the better have taken place. The Parcel Post Office still leaves something to be desired in the way of providing separate accommodation at the counter for the use of Europeans, and Chinese or other Asiatics. At present it is little short of a disgrace to see delicate European ladies being hustled, pushed aside, and often pinned to the counter by the crowd of evil-smelling, uncouth coolies who on mail days besiege the office striving to force their parcels into the hands of the first official they see, regardless of whether he is attending to others or not. Surely the remedy is simple. Will our Post-Master or his energetic and courteous *locum tenens* be kind enough to provide it on the suggestion of your humble correspondent?—Yours, etc.,

"PLACE AUX DAMES."

As for the track itself, it is made of blue clay dug from both sides of the line. These excavations of course have left a deep canal on each side which are filled with water. One cannot but admire the excellence of the track; the material of which it is composed appears to have capital lasting powers. Between Canton and Fatsan steel sleepers are used; beyond Fatsan Japanese wood is to be utilised. The rails weigh 15 lbs. to the yard and the gauge is 4 feet 8½ inches. It is satisfactory to learn that the reported troubles on the line have not been so serious as we were led to believe in Hongkong. There have been a few sporadic disturbances, but nothing to cause the promoters and staff any great uneasiness. Indeed one and all join in declaring how friendly and pacific has been the feeling shown towards them by the Chinese. Good progress is being made on the work, and before very long the through traffic to Samahni should be an accomplished fact.

A VISIT TO THE FATSAN RAILWAY.

It is with no little interest that one first views the new railway between Canton and Fatsan, especially if, like the writer, one has not seen a locomotive bigger than the Malankok pug for the last few years. As the intending traveller proceeds up the river from the Canton steamship wharf on the old Star Ferry lan ch the *Guiding Star* his surroundings are so thoroughly Chinese that he almost begins to believe that after all this story about the existence of a modern railro d up the country is a myth. Yet suddenly as the boat emerges from the city and turns round a bend in the waterway there comes into view a veritable train with a smoking engine in front awaiting the coming of the connecting ferry and its numerous passengers. As for the station itself—its name is Shokwaitong—it is only yet in the course of construction, but promises to be a structure worthy to adorn the terminus of so important an undertaking as the Canton-Fatsan railro ad. After a view of the rolling stock, the eye is caught by the bright and flowery uniforms of the Chinese station attendants. These officials do not appear to be so alert as the porters at home but they sport a dignity, begotten of their raiment perhaps, absolutely foreign to their European counterparts. There is no booking-office. A Chinese supplies tickets as the passengers enter the carriages and after the usual preliminaries have been gone through the engine gives a warning "toot" and we are undergoing the experience of riding on the first railro ad to be constructed in Southern China. The carriages are of a primitive kind but very comfortable and roomy. First-class fare is 50 cents.

It is interesting to note the deportment of the Chinese passengers. No doubt the people of the countryside have had ample opportunity of making themselves familiar since its inception with the presence of the railroad and its concomitants, yet it is superficially apparent that they have not got over the first wonderment with which they surveyed the new comer. All along the route one saw groups of the inhabitants gazing curiously at the train and its occupants. The Chinese passengers themselves stuck their heads out of the windows to observe the progress of their iron horse. To European eyes the chief attraction after the first novelty of the locomotion had worn off lay in the beautiful fertile plains through which they were being sped. The plains seemed endless. At this season of the year of course the land is bare of crops except where a patch of uncut sugar-cane rises here and there to relieve the drab aspect of the turned-up fields, or a grove of fern-like trees lends verdancy to the scene.

It is rather strange at first to find that the line does not pass through any large villages, or towns as one would expect. Rather these seem to be avoided. But there is method in this seemingly unwise departure. The promoters recognise that it will take time for the Chinese country-people to be reconciled to the presence in their midst of such a modern institution as a railro ad; hence the line has been purposely deflected away from contact with the numerous villages that dot the plains, and the belief is entertained, doubtless with the best of reason, that as time goes on the various stations en route will become centres of activity and attract the Chinese to them as being the most convenient bases from which to carry on business requiring rapid transit.

As is generally known, the Canton-Fatsan line is not an independent work; it is part of the scheme for establishing a great trunk line from Canton to Hankow, to embrace something like 1,000 miles of track when all its branches and subsidiary parts are included. From Canton to Fatsan is ten and a half miles distant, and the journey occupies about forty minutes. At present the traffic is carried no farther than Fatsan, but above that point there are many more miles of excellent track already laid towards Samahni the contemplated objective for this branch. Fatsan is a very populous place, much resembling Canton, equally crowded, equally narrow as to streets, and equally non-salubrious as to smells. To get thence up to one of the sections at which work is proceeding it is necessary to resort to a rowing-boat and be paddled up the river or else to walk up the line some four or five miles distance. The river route is preferable. Here one comes among a group of house-boats where live the white overseers and engineers engaged on the constructional work. A hearty welcome is extended to the visitor, and news of far-away Hongkong eagerly sought after and relished. If one were to take up a bundle of San Francisco coloured newspapers it is questionable whether he would not be hailed as a public benefactor or killed by a repetition of kindness.

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NOTICE.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

LONDON TRAINED NURSE returning to England end of March will give services during the voyage in return for full or part passage according to case.

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [330]

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"LEWKNOR," the PEAK, for 18 months from middle of March. Well furnished. Less than 15 minutes from tram.

Apply—
M. W. SLADE,
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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [331]

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders and Subscribers will be held at ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 26th JANUARY, 1904, at 5 P.M.

A. BEYER,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [332]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership which was subsisting between the undersigned and which carried on business at JAKARIA MUSJID at Bombay in the Name, Style and Firm of M. SHERADJI & CO., and in Fort in Bombay and Rangoon as MERWANJI SHERADJI & CO., and at Canton as M. N. GOBHAI & CO., and at Yokohama as M. N. GOBHAI & CO., has been Dissolved from 18th December, 1903.

M. N. GOBHAI,
S. D. KARANIJA,
C. F. SHROFF,
B. N. KARANIJA.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, the undersigned, have commenced to CARRY ON BUSINESS in Partnership with others at Yokohama, Canton and at Bombay in Fort as well as at Jakaria Musjid in the Name, Style and Firm of M. N. GOBHAI & CO. from 17th December, 1903.

M. N. GOBHAI.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [333]

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD-QUARTERS OFFICE, Fletcher St., until 12 o'clock Noon, on MONDAY, the 15th FEBRUARY, 1904, for the 12 months Supplies and Services, for the period of twelve months from 1st April, 1904.

1. Hospital Supplies and Medical Comforts.
2. General Supplies and Medicines.
3. Coal, Wood, Oil, Scavenging, and other Barrack Supplies and Services.

4. Washing.
5. Transport Services (Supply of Launches, Junks, Coolies, &c.)
6. Forge.

Forms of tender, and any particulars can be obtained on application to this Office either personally or by letter addressed to the Officer Commanding Army Service Corps between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

The tenders must be properly filled up, signed and dated, and no tender will be noticed unless delivered upon the proper form at the Headquarters Office by 12 o'clock Noon on the above date, in a closed envelope, marked "Tender" on the outside.

The right to reject any or all tenders is reserved.

Head-Quarters Office,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [334]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HALOONG."

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 26th inst., at DAY-LIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [335]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS and **CHINA OVERLAND TRADEPORT** is now ready and contains—

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Chinese in the Hongkong Police Force.

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Hongkong Jottings.

Hongkong Legislative Council.

The Fiscal Plebiscite in Hongkong.

Japan and Russia.

British Activity in the Far East.

Increase of the Hongkong Police Force.

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Church Missionary Association.

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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"C. FERD. LAESZ,"
Captain Sachs, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-day, the 23rd inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904. [336]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"GERA."

OF THE NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st February, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, the 1st February, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims for damage must be sent in before the 6th February, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904. [337]

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the above Society will be held in the City Hall TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), JANUARY 26th, at Noon.

ROSE GOMPERTZ,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [338]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING

of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th JANUARY, instant, at 8.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1904. [339]

BASIL TAYLOR,

Acting Harbour Master, &c.
Harbour Department,
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [325]

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

HONGKONG HARBOUR.

A STEAM LAUNCH showing 2 masts, above water line, and about 600 feet from Praya Wall, Kowloon, Time Ball bearing about North. A Red Flag is displayed over her during daylight, and a Red Lamp at night. The obstruction will be removed as speedily as possible.

BASIL TAYLOR,
Acting Harbour Master, &c.
Harbour Department,
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [325]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Stonecutters Island (South Shore Battery) in a South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 2,000 yards, on the 29th instant, and from Lyemun (Pakshawan Battery) in the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay at ranges from 600 to 2,000 yards, on the 30th instant.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, practice will take place on the 1st proximo.

Practice will commence at 9 A.M. on the 29th instant, and at 8.30 A.M. on the 30th instant, and end at 11 A.M. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command,
A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [309]

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [306]

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THE HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY CO., LD.
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Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [241]

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [3170]

INTIMATIONS

WANTED.

ENGLISH SPEAKING GIRL to take charge of Little Boy during Weekday Afternoons.
Apply—
P. O. Box No. 58,
Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [173]

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SITUATION by Englishman, 27, Energetic Sober, Industrious, Competent in all outside work of a shipping or Commercial Firm.
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Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 13th January, 1904. [256]

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A HOUSE at the Peak for the Summer Months.
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Hongkong, 15th January, 1904. [229]

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO GOVERNMENT.

WANTED.

A CHINESE INTERPRETER for the Court in Sandakan. Must speak English, Malay and three or four Chinese dialects, say Fokien, Teikoo, Cantonese. Salary \$80.00 per mensem and house allowance. Second Class passage provided to Sandakan. A trial of a few months will be given, and if not satisfactory return passage paid.
Apply to—
Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [242]

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO GOVERNMENT.

WANTED.

A CHINESE SECOND CLERK for the Resident's Office at Kudat. Must speak English.
Salary \$50.00 per mensem and house allowance 6.00 per mensem. Second Class passage provided to Kudat. Three months' notice on either side to be given.
Apply to—
Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [243]

WANTED.

A JUNIOR CLERK. Must have a thorough knowledge of English and write a good hand.
Apply to—
K. K.,
Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [283]

WANTED AT ONCE.

GOOD SHORTHAND WRITER & **TYPIST.**
Apply to—
JOHN HASTINGS,
No. 2, Wyndham Street,
Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [276]

SITUATION WANTED.

BY Britisher, several years' experience in East. Best of references.
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S. P.,
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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [304]

WANTED.

BY The New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd., Amoy, an ASSISTANT ENGINEER. Terms to be stated in the application, which must be accompanied by qualifications, &c., and addressed to—
B. HIMPEL,
General Manager,
Amoy, 19th January, 1904. [305]

WANTED.

SHORTHAND WRITER and **TYPIST.** Must have some knowledge of Book-keeping.
Apply to—
M. W.,
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THE Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd., have now 40,000 cubic feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Storage will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sundays excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.
Wm. FARLANE, Manager.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [57]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 25th JANUARY, 1904, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOM, No. 4, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Le House Street),

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904. [327]

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [235]

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904. [328]

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2. The Dance will be open to the Public, and its object is to raise money towards the cost of a projected new Pavilion.

3. The subscription will be \$15, but no dance will be organized unless at least 150 gentlemen subscribe.

4. The hours of dancing will be from 9.15 p.m. to 12.30 a.m., and light refreshments will be served during the dance.

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7. Additional guests may be invited on payment of 25 extra for each guest.

8. Gentlemen who have already subscribed to the abandoned series of three dances will be considered to have subscribed to the Dance on 9th February, unless an intimation to the contrary is received by either of the undersigned on or before 26th January, 1904.

9. Gentlemen intending to subscribe will oblige by sending their names with the names of their guests to either of the undersigned on or before 26th January, 1904, at the Hongkong Club.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
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T. C. GRAY,
Hon. Sec. of Dance Sub-Committee.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1904. [227]

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Hongkong, 11th August, 1903. [85]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [103]

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Hongkong, 11th January, 1904. [3335]

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SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1900. [54]

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN,
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From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [12490]

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NOTICE OF FIRM

NOTICE

THE PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing
between myself and Mr. JOHN
HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion
of time, my business will in future be carried
on under the firm name of DEACON
LOOKER and DEACON.

VICTOR H. DEACON,
10, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [117]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be
held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria
Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th
JANUARY, 1904, at 11.30 o'clock A.M. for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 31st December, 1903.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY,
the 31st JANUARY, to WEDNESDAY,
the 27th JANUARY, both days inclusive,
during which period no Transfer of Shares can
be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [284]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-
ING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES,
Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the
27th JANUARY, 1904, at 11.45 o'clock A.M.
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December, 1903.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY,
the 16th JANUARY, to WEDNESDAY,
the 27th JANUARY (both days inclusive), during
which period no transfer of Shares can be
registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency
Co., Ltd.

General Agents for
THE WEST POINT BUILDING
CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1904. [192]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-
ING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES,
Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the
27th JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock NOON,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December, 1903.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY,
the 16th JANUARY, to WEDNESDAY, the
27th JANUARY (both days inclusive), during
which period no transfer of Shares can be
registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1904. [193]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACT-
URING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be held in
the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des
Voeux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, 6th
FEBRUARY, 1904, at 11 A.M. for the purpose
of receiving Statement of Accounts and the
Report of the General Managers for the year
ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a
Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 3rd
FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 6th
FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [272]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be
held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18,
Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on
SATURDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at 12
o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a
Report of the Directors, together with a State-
ment of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, con-
firming the appointment of a Director and
electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 23rd JANUARY, to
the 6th FEBRUARY, inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [258]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON.

On and after the 1st January, 1904, the
Passage Rates will be by Mail Steamers—
First Saloon Second Saloon
To London 265 214
To Marseilles 261 242
To Brindisi 261

Return tickets are issued at a fare and a half
available for 2 years.

The proposed sailings are—
Departure from Hongkong Connecting at Colombo
S.S. Bengal January 30th S.S. India
S.S. Malta February 13th S.S. Moldavia
S.S. Chusan February 27th S.S. Arcadia
S.S. Ballarat March 12th S.S. Australia
S.S. Coromandel March 26th S.S. Oceania
S.S. Simla April 9th S.S. Mongolia
S.S. Bengal April 23rd S.S. China
S.S. Malta May 7th S.S. Himalaya
S.S. Chusan May 21st S.S. Marmora.
Good accommodation can be arranged on
booking in the connecting steamers at Colombo,
which now include the new steamers Moldavia,
Mongolia and Marmora.

INTERMEDIATE STEAMERS.

The revised rates of passage by these steamers
are now: To London 1st Saloon 250, 2nd Saloon
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be issued at a fare and a half.

Return tickets available for two years are
also issued home by intermediate and out by
Mail steamer or vice versa.
Rates on application.

When these steamers call at Marseilles,
tickets can be issued to that port at 246 First
Saloon 233 Second Saloon.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1904. [3240]

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, 23rd January.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM
M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

PRESUMPTION OF A SEA-CAPTAIN'S DEATH.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., barrister-at-law,
(instructed by Mr. Victor Deacon of Messrs.
Deacon, Looker and Deacon, solicitors) appeared
in support of a motion for leave to swear the
death of Captain David D. O'Keefe of the
Santa Cruz, Mr. H. Hursthouse of Messrs.
Donny and Bowley, solicitors, watched the
case on behalf of the widow and daughter, both
of whom are in America.

Mr. Sharp said the motion asked his Lord-
ship's leave to presume the death of Captain
O'Keefe as having occurred on or about 31st
May, 1901. There was no opposition to the
motion. It was the desire of all parties that
the death should be presumed.

His Lordship—The two sons were on board
the ship also?
Mr. Sharp—Yes. There were other children
of the family, he went on to say, in Yap, in the
Caroline Islands. There was only one child of
the family in America; that was the married
daughter. The American wife was still living.
This application was made on behalf of Mr.
George P. Lammert who was the Hongkong
executor appointed by Captain O'Keefe by his
will and codicils, and there were before his
Lordship affidavits made by Mr. Lammert and
Mr. Deacon giving the particulars of a violent
typhoon which occurred at that time in question.

His Lordship—Did it strike me in this
affidavit that they say that on the 3rd May
Captain O'Keefe left Hongkong?
Mr. Sharp explained that he cleared on the
3rd but actually sailed on the 7th. The boat
was delayed. The testator, Captain O'Keefe,
lived for many years in the Caroline
Islands, at Yap, one of the most westerly of the
group, a little south of Lat. 10 and about Long.
134° 33'; that was a little way south of the
Philippine Islands. Captain O'Keefe traded
there and amassed a very considerable fortune.
Yap was 1,500 to 2,000 miles distant from Hong-
kong. The property, valued on 31st May,
1901, at over \$120,000, was at the time of
Captain O'Keefe's death in Hongkong, which
he had been in the habit of very frequently
visiting on his schooner the Santa Cruz during
his long residence at Yap. It was a small and
rather old boat, 92 tons burden, and at least 30
years old at the time of the voyage in question
inasmuch as they knew that this was the boat
formerly called the Southern Cross on which
Bishop Paterson was murdered in the South
Seas in 1871. Therefore in 1901 the schooner
must have been at least 30 years old. In the
year 1890 on the occasion of one of his visits
to Hongkong Captain O'Keefe made the will
and codicils in 1895. By one of these codicils
Mr. Lammert was appointed Hongkong
executor in lieu of the previous one. In May,
1901, Captain O'Keefe was again in
Hongkong and on the 3rd of that month,
according to the Harbour-master's books,
the Santa Cruz cleared for Yap. Four days
later she was towed out of Hongkong Harbour,
since which time neither the ship nor anybody
on board has been heard of. The cargo con-
sisted of a quantity of dynamite, fuses and
detonators. As his Lordship would see from
the second affidavit there was a report from the
Hongkong Observatory to the effect that a
violent typhoon had occurred apparently just
in the path of the Santa Cruz on her voyage to
Yap. On the 15th and 16th Mr. Figg of the
Observatory reported that a typhoon crossed
the Philippines from the Pacific in Lat. 12,
which would take the typhoon through the Sulu
Sea in the midst of the Philippine archipelago.
Then it went into the China Sea west of Mindoro,
and it was still in the China Sea west of the island
of Luzon, at that time moving north. On the
19th the typhoon had got further north, still
to the west of the Balingas Channel and
was re-curling to the north-east. On the
next day the typhoon apparently returned to
the Pacific through the Bashee Channel. These
two channels together formed the Formosa
Channel. They did not know whether on this
particular voyage Captain O'Keefe went to
Yap by the west or by the south of Luzon
through the Sulu Sea. Apparently the
proper course was by the south of Luzon
during the northerly monsoon and by the other
channel during the southern. Whatever route
the Santa Cruz followed she would almost
certainly have encountered this typhoon. The
average time for the voyage to Yap was about
52 days, and the minimum about four weeks.
If she went by the Sulu Sea she would probably
meet the typhoon coming up just as she got to
the south of Mindoro. The weather report in
the Gazette was that the weather was
prevailing at this time making it more probable
that the Santa Cruz went south by which she
would get to Mindoro Strait about the 15th or
16th when the typhoon came through.

His Lordship—Has anybody been to Yap?
Mr. Sharp—Yes, several people have been.
There is a regular service from Singapore and
now there is a steamer running direct from
Hongkong to the Carolines calling at Yap,
though it was not at that time.
His Lordship—What is the most recent news
you have got?

Mr. Sharp said the most recent news was in
October had got several letters from there, the
last of which was dated February, 1903. This
was filed on 15th May, 1903. Since May, 1901,
he had received several letters stating that
Captain O'Keefe had never returned to the
Carolines nor had his ship been seen by other
ships trading to that group and the southern
seas.

His Lordship said it amounted to this, that
neither Captain O'Keefe nor his two sons had
been heard of. There were also on board a
Scandinavian, Mr. Hoff, a Mr. Gillespie, and a
Chinese carpenter who seemed to have
been accepted by his family as dead. Of course
the proper proposition was that you required
to wait seven years before you could get
presumption of a man's death.

Mr. Sharp remarked that that period had
been very much cut down. He could refer his
Lordship to a case where presumption of death
was made after three years. There was a case
in 1893 of that kind, but he was not going to rely
upon that. There were no special circumstances.
The case he was going to cite was almost on all-
four with this, the case of a missing ship—
Matthews, 77 Law Times Reports, p. 529.

His Lordship said that it seemed to him that
if 10 or 12 years ago seven years was a reason-
able time when it took four or five months for
information to travel from India and a voyage
out here was a matter that made a man almost
a marvel, the time might reasonably be shortened,
what with the telegraph and so on.

Mr. Sharp stated that practically the seven-
years' period had been cut down to the
neighbourhood of three. There were no
special circumstances in the case he had
quoted. The man disappeared from his home
in London and was missing for three years.
The Court took the view that his people would
have heard of his existence and allowed presump-

tion of death for the purposes of probate. In
the case of missing ships the Court gave such
leave in from one and a half to two years.

His Lordship—That is in a case of insurance?
Mr. Sharp replied that for insurance purposes
a ship was supposed to have foundered if she
was missing for one year. He went on to quote
the case re Hutton, 1 Curtis, p. 595; re Alston,
1892, Probate 142; re Johnson, 78 Law Times
Reports, 1885; and Watson and King, 4 Camp-
bell, p. 272. The last case was dated 1815.
A sailing ship on a voyage from Jamaica to Eng-
land was last seen at sea on 7th March, 1814,
and letters of administration were produced in
Court on 14th December, 1815. This case was
referred to in Taylor as an authority on this
point. In the case of Hutton this was a
sailing ship from Manila to London. She
started in July, 1835, and was not heard
started in July, 1835, and was not heard
started in July, 1835, and was not heard

again. In February, 1837, the Court
presumed the death of the captain. In
the case of Alston (1892) a sailing ship from
Liverpool to Peru was last heard of on 8th
September, 1890, and eighteen months later
leave was given to presume death. In the case
of Johnson—it was also a sailing ship case—she
was last heard of on 2nd February, 1897, and on
20th December next year leave was given to
swear death. There were some questions about
the will which they did not enter into at all
just now.

Mr. Lammert then went into the box and
gave formal evidence to the effect that the ship
was not insured, nor the cargo either, on this
particular voyage.

His Lordship said he would give leave to
swear death as having occurred on or since 7th
May, 1901. This was a case which did not
come before the Court in Hongkong often. It
seemed that the ordinary law was that when a
man had not been heard of for a period of seven
years his death might be presumed, but there
seemed to be exceptional cases in which
death had been presumed at a less period, and
among these cases he had been referred to four
of which Alston was of comparatively recent
date. There the ship was last heard of on 6th
September, 1890, and he found that in March,
1892, about eighteen months afterwards, the
President gave leave after hearing counsel to
swear the death as having occurred on or after
6th September when the ship was last heard of.
He did not think he would do anything
any injustice by following the course in that
case, and therefore he gave leave to swear death
as having occurred on or after 7th May, 1901,
which was the date when the ship actually left
Hongkong Harbour, having taken out her
clearance some four days previously. Probate
would be dealt with separately.

The Court adjourned.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE HONGKONG SAMPAAN NUISANCE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 21st January, 1904.
SIR,—You would, I am sure, enter a great
benefit on a large number of your readers if
you opened your columns to a discussion of
the sampans nuisance in Hongkong harbour,
which might thereby be remedied. After 3
years spent between the ports of China and
Japan, one is forced to acknowledge that in
the matter of the sampans nuisance Hongkong
is by far the worst of all. Owing presumably to
the large number of naval officers and men
using the sampans during the day and evening,
the occupants of the sampans seem enough
early in the day to satisfy their needs. In
consequence it is almost impossible to get a
sloop or more for a sampan to get off to
a ship; to get a sampan alongside a ship at a
late hour is even more hopeless. It is now
10 A.M. and after sailing a sampan for a quarter
of an hour, several being quite close and within
call, I have had to give up my idea of getting
ashore. When hailed from the pier the person
in charge of the sampans either refuses to budge
until a large number collect, or asks the name of
the ship to which it is required to go, probably
saying, "muchee for a sampan waiting at anchor."
The Police man at Murray Pier seems quite
unable to assist one. There would seem to be
two remedies for the existing state of affairs.
One is that the men-of-war in the harbour should
use the ship's boats exclusively if possible, the
other that more direct control should be exerted
over the sampans by the Police authorities; a
5 cents fare might be adopted, and the regula-
tion fares in detail required to be posted up in
each sampan.—Yours, etc.

ONE OF THE VICTIMS.

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Proprietor, Amoy.
Amoy, 20th January, 1904. [321]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [305]

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3518]

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THE BUSINESS of AH MEN and HING
CHEONG & CO., Tailors, will be
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QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, opposite to
the Connaught House Hotel.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [128]

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Hongkong, 31st July, 1903. [30]

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Hongkong, 18th August, 1903. [1319-2]

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23, CHUYEN, Chinese str., 1211, Chas. Stewart, Shanghai 20th Jan. General.—CHIESA.
23, DAIVA MARU, Japanese str., 1732, Yokoyama, Kobe 16th Jan. Coal.—H. U. JEFFERIES.
23, DEUTERO, German str., 1001, F. Frahm, Wuhu 24th Jan. General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
23, GERA, German str., 3795, H. Dahl, Hamburg 10th Dec. General.—DOUGLAS & CO.
23, ICHANG, British str., 1211, Wm. Lloyd Jones, Wuhu 24th Jan. General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
23, K. WANG, Chinese str., from Canton.
23, M. VALERIE, Austrian str., 2643, P. Berthel, Shanghai 19th Jan.—SANDER, WIELER & Co.
23, OSCAR II., Norwegian str., 2099, H. Olsen, Ketchikan 17th Jan. Coal.—M. B. KAISIA.
23, VENGEANCE, British battleship, from Mrs. Day.
23, WOODROW, British str., 1169, Dawson, Shanghai 19th Jan. General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
24, HAILONG, British str., 781, S. Gibson, Swatow 24th Jan. General.—DOUGLAS & CO.
24, HANGHONG, British str., from Canton.
24, KOWLOON, German str., 1147, H. Stelzer, Chinkiang 24th Jan. General.—SIEMSEN & Co.
24, PITANLOR, German steamer, 1768, C. Fuchs, Hong Kong 15th Jan. Rice and Wood.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
24, POLYKSEN, French str., 2216, La Colpeller, Shanghai 22nd Jan. Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DEPARTURES.
22nd January.
VIATHAN, cruiser, for Mrs. Day.
GERMAN, German gunboat, for Canton.
23rd January.
ERA, German str., for Shanghai.
GERMAN, British str., for Canton.
OSKAW, British str., for Hongkong.
AKRAM, German str., for Bangkok.
URI, British str., for Manila.
HINI MARU, Japanese str., for Kobe.
AIRANG, British str., for Shanghai.
OSIAN, British str., for Australia.
OSIAN, British str., for Swatow.
24th January.
JAX, British str., for Shanghai.
ALIN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
KUTROK, German str., for Canton.
MILDE, German str., for Canton.
OSKAW, German str., for Hongkong.
TOSUNG, British str., for Canton.

VESSELS IN DOCK.
23rd January.
AREDEEN DOCK.—Brit.
KOWLOON DOCK.—H.M.S. Moore, T.S. H.M.S. Glory, German, U.S.A.T. Leon, Ellen Richards, Vigilant, Perla, H.M.S. Odin, Bjorn, Paul Ross.
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LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	BENGAL	Brit. str.	G. Phillips	P. & O. S. N. Co.	30th inst., at Noon.
LONDON	GLENCLOY	Brit. str.	Stallard	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	2nd Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP	NESTOR	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Feb.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP, &c.	PALERMO	Brit. str.	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 14th Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	16th Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MOVYER	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st March
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th March
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Freigh. str.	Lo Colpeller	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	29th March
MAISELLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	POLYMER	Ger. str.	W. Franke	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow, 1 p.m.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	SACHSEN	Ger. str.	v. Binze	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	3rd Feb., at Noon.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	WURZBURG	Ger. str.	C. H. Burch	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	29th inst.
HAVRE, LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	RADNORSHIRE	Brit. str.	Kock	MELCHERS & CO.	About 30th inst.
HAVRE, COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	P. VALERIE	Dan. str.	Schenfeldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	About 3rd Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ALESIA	Ger. str.	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	27th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	8th March
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	22nd March
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	v. Dohren	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th April
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KEEMUN	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd Feb.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AJAX	Brit. str.	Borberovich	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	20th Ma ch.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	M. VALERIE	Ger. str.	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO., LD.	To-morrow, p.m.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SUKH	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About 2nd Feb.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHAI, &c.	ATHEAN	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHAI, &c.	P. OF INDIA	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	10th Feb.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHAI, &c.	ITO MARU	Jap. str.	M. J. Currow	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, 4 p.m.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHAI, &c.	PINGSU	Brit. str.	J. W. Ekstrand	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	25th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHAI, &c.	ARI MARU	Jap. str.	A. Dixon	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	9th Feb., at 4 p.m.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHAI, &c.	OLYMPIA	Brit. str.	R. P. Craven	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	11th Feb.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRAVELLI	Brit. str.	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	30th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	Helms	MELCHERS & CO.	12th Feb., at Noon.
ODENSA	MALAYA	Rus. str.	Nonnman	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 27th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	SOCOTRA	Brit. str.	C. J. Benton	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	To-morrow, 5 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	Sachs	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	THINAK	Jap. str.	J. W. Wale	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	27th inst., at 4 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATA MARU	Jap. str.	J. Campbell	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	29th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	C. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	27th inst., at Noon.
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YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAREA	Freigh. str.	Soller	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 30th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	W. B. Palmer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 10 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	I. Goto	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	29th inst., 10 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	27th inst., at 8 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MAIZURU MARU	Jap. str.	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-morrow, 11 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HAILONG	Brit. str.	Gibson	DOUGLAS LARSEN & CO.	27th inst., 11 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ROHILLA MARU	Jap. str.	Ernest Bent	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	About 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SHAWUT	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO., LD.	30th inst., 10 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	6th Feb., 10 a.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HUNAN	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KAGOSHIMA M.	Jap. str.	K. Kori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	16th Feb., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	LAGOMINGA	Brit. str.	J. G. Spence	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	To-morrow, 3 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MAZAGON	Brit. str.	W. H. S. Hall	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 26th inst.
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STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES
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Capt. Hildebrandt { (Calling at Singapore and Colombo) }
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YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANG- HAI, MOJI and KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea)	SOCOTRA C. J. Benton, R.N.R.	About 25th January	Freight and Passage.
* SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY.	MAZAGON W. H. S. Hall	About 26th January	Freight only.
LONDON, &c.	BENGAL G. Phillips	Noon, 30th January	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN W. B. Palmer, R.N.R.	About 30th January	Freight and Passage.
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STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.
1904.
SACHSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 3rd February
GERA ... WEDNESDAY ... 17th February
SEYDLITZ ... WEDNESDAY ... 2nd March
ROON ... WEDNESDAY ... 16th March
PREUSSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 30th March
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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
IYO MARU	{ VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE } { U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, } { KOBE and YOKOHAMA } M. J. Currow	TUESDAY, 26th Jan., at 4 p.m.
KUMANO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan., at Noon.
TANHA MARU	KOBE	WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan., at 4 p.m.
HYACHTI MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 29th Jan., at DAYLIGHT.
ARI MARU	{ VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE } { U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, } { KOBE and YOKOHAMA } J. W. Ekstrand	TUESDAY, 9th Feb., at 4 p.m.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PAK LING"	On 12th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"AGAMEMNON"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MENELAUS"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"RHIPHEUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MACHAON"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TELEMACHUS"	On 12th March.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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LONDON and ANTWERP...	"PAK LING"	On 29th March.

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ALL PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA
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The "PINGSUEY" left Singapore on the 20th inst., and is expected here on the 26th
instant.
For Freight, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KOBE, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COCKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN"	On 26th January.
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Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date.
"ROHILLA MARU"	Ernest Bent	3889	Wednesday, 27th January, at 11 A.M.
"ROSETTA MARU"	H. S. Smith	3876	Tuesday, 2nd February, at 11

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ON TUESDAY, the 26th January, 1904,
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of Call WITHOUT TRANSITMENT.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon
only on Monday, the 25th January. Specie and
Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day.
No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.
Parcels are not to be sent on board; they
must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents
and Value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1904. [2]

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR DALNY, PORT ARTHUR AND
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THE Russian Steamer
"MANCHURIA,"
Captain Prall, will be ready to load on or
about MONDAY, the 1st February.
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MELCHERS & CO.,
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Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [243]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

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THE Steamship
"GLENLOCHY,"
Captain Stallard, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 2nd February.
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Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [275]

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"SAGAMI" ... 6th Feb.
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Hongkong, 21st January, 1904. [1125]

THE EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Danish Steamer
"PRINS VALDEMAR,"
Captain Kock, will leave for the above ports on
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Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [249]

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Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [27]

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DEPARTURES from Hongkong on week
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Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao week days
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Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1902. [11]

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signees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature
and to take immediate delivery of their
Goods from alongside.

Cargo and the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [282]

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTER- DAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SITHONIA,"
Captain Hildebrandt, having arrived from the
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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before Noon,
To-day, the 21st inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
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and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undischarged after the 24th January will be
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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1904. [320]

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